

Revised: October 2, 2014

**TENTATIVE AGENDA
for the
FOURTH MEETING IN 2014
of the
WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

October 6-7, 2014
New Mexico Highlands University Student Union Building
Las Vegas

Monday, October 6

9:00 a.m. **Call to Order and Introductions**
—Representative George Dodge, Jr., Chair, Water and Natural Resources Committee

9:05 a.m. **Opening Remarks and Welcome**
—Dr. James Fries, President, New Mexico Highlands University

9:15 a.m. (1) **New Mexico Acequia Commission and Associations**
 —Ralph Vigil, Chair, Acequia Commission
 —Paula Garcia, Executive Director, New Mexico Acequia Association

10:15 a.m. (2) **Water Demand, Availability, Costs and Environmental Impacts Related to the Arizona Water Settlements Act and Proposed Gila River Diversion Projects**

- Craig Roepke, Bureau Manager, Special Water Projects, Interstate Stream Commission (ISC)
- Mark Stone, Assistant Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, University of New Mexico
- David Propst, Adjunct Professor, Department of Biology, University of New Mexico
- Norm Gaume, P.E., Consulting Engineer

12:15 p.m. **Lunch**

1:15 p.m. (3) **Indian Water Rights Settlements and Issues**
 —Representative Carl Trujillo
 —Arianne Singer, Managing Attorney, Office of the State Engineer (OSE)
 —Amy Haas, General Counsel, ISC

2:15 p.m. (4) [Long-Term Funding for Forest and Watershed Restoration](#)
—Kent Reid, Director, New Mexico Forest and Watershed Restoration
Institute
—Laura McCarthy, Director of Conservation Programs, New Mexico
Office, The Nature Conservancy

3:15 p.m. (5) [Proposed Changes to the Emergency Notification Requirements for Mining](#)
—Terrence Foreback, State Mine Inspector
—Randy Logsdon, Chair, Mining Safety Board

4:15 p.m. (6) [Santa Cruz Irrigation District — Santa Cruz Dam](#)
—Kenny Salazar, President, New Mexico Association of Conservation
Districts

5:00 p.m. **Recess**

Tuesday, October 7

9:00 a.m. (7) [Healthy Food in Schools Program](#)
—Pam Roy, Executive Director, Farm to Table

10:00 a.m. (8) [Temporary Water Use Permitting Process; Administrative Hearing Location Requirements](#)
—A.J. Olsen, Partner, Hennighausen and Olsen, LLP
—Debbie Hughes, Executive Director, New Mexico Association of
Conservation Districts
—Greg Ridgley, General Counsel, OSE
—Chris Lindeen, Managing Attorney, Administrative Litigation Unit, OSE

11:00 a.m. (9) [Regional Water Association Proposal and Association Issues](#)
—Ramon Lucero, President, El Valle Water Alliance
—Rick Martinez, Director of Business Development, New Mexico
Finance Authority
—Adam Leigland, Director, Public Works Department, Santa Fe County
—James Hayhoe, Resident of Las Cruces
—Andy Philo, Resident of Las Cruces
—Robert Crowley, Resident of Las Cruces

12:30 p.m. **Adjourn**